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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINQ ON REFUGEE AND MIGRA-
TION ASSISTANCE

1. ANGUSRAE, HEAD OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT, OVERSEAS
DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY (ODM), INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PROVIDE A FIOURE FOR UK REFUGEE
ASSISTANCE OWINQ TO STRUCTURE OF UK ASSISTANCE FINANC-
ING. ODM DOES NOT PLAN FOR REFUGEE ASSISTANCE AS SUCH.
NEEDS ARE MET AS THEY ARISE OUT OF OPERATING BUDGETS
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FOR DIFFERENT REQIONS. THERE IS NO SPECIFIC AOPROPRIA-

TION FOR REFUGEES AS IN US AID BUDGET. WHILE IT
MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO CANVASS INDIVIDUAL REGIONS FOLLOW-
ING END FISCAL YEAR MARCH 31 FOR ESTIMATES OF AMOUNTS
SPENT ON REFUGEE ASSISTANCE, RAE DOUBTS WHETHER
FIGURES OBTAINED WOULD PROVIDE AN ACCURATE PICTURE OF
UK ASSISTANCE IN THIS FIELD. AFTER DISCUSSING THIS
PROBLEM WITH HEADS OF SELECTED REGIONAL DEPARTMENTS, WE
AGREE WITH RAE THAT IT WOULD BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO
EXTRACT REFUGEE ASSISTANCE FIGURES FROM THE VARIOUS
PROGRAMS IN WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN SUBSUMED; I.E., RELIEF
TO BANGLADESH AND CYPRUS.

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